



Detachment Meeting Minutes  
**Anne Arundel County Detachment 1049**  
Marine Corps League  
October 21, 2024

## OPENING BY RITUAL:

Meeting called to order by Commandant Burt Helmka at 1900 hours.  
The Pledge of Allegiance recited, followed by prayer by Chaplin James Sanchez  
Members in attendance: 15

## ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Commandant	Burt Helmka	P
Sr. Vice Commandant	John Dunker	P
Jr. Vice Commandant	Joe Peacy	P
Judge Advocate	Ray Sturm	P
Jr. Past Commandant	Ben Wells	E
Adjutant	Debbie Deene	P
By-Laws Committee Chairman	Danny Fischio	E
Chaplain	James Sanchez	P
Color Guard Commander	Woody Bowman	P
Historian	Joe Wright	E
Newsletter Editor	Ray Sturm	P
Paymaster	Ben Wells	E
Public Information Officer	Vacant	
Quartermaster	Vacant	
Rifle Pistol Team Captain	Ray Sturm	P
Sgt-at-Arms	James Galvin	P
Web Sergeant	Joe Wright	E
Young Marine Commander	Ray Sturm	P

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** We had one new member who was voted on and sworn in this evening. Welcome Don Brazeal , to our detachment

**ADJUTANT’S REPORT:** Minutes from October are noted, and minutes will be posted on the detachment website along with the newsletter. Copies available on table.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**PAYMASTER:** The financial report was given by Ben Wells. This amount is as follows:

Checking:	\$ 14726.64	
Savings:	\$	
CD	\$	(CD’s have been shut down and moved pending
CD	\$	paperwork from Morgan Stanley to invest;
		precise totals once all, set-in place
	\$ 14726.64	

**CHAPLAIN REPORT:** No Report.

**COMMANDANT:** Commandant Helmka , performed the swearing in of our new member .We will have a cake cutting ceremony for the Marine Corps 249<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the post at 6:30 PM

**SENIOR VICE:** John Dunker, shared that our Bull & Oyster Roast has been changed from its original date of October 26, 2024, and moved to March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The hours will remain the same 1-5pm ticket prices will be \$60.00 compared to the original price of \$55.00 per ticket. There will not be any assigned seating for this event.

**JUNIOR VICE:** No report.

**JUDGE ADVOCATE:** No report.

**JR. PAST COMMANDANT:** No report.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** No report.

**QUARTERMASTER:** As Commandant Helmka reported in leu of no current Quartermaster position. There are items available for sale in the footlocker if anyone is interested. There were several shirts in different sizes, coins and maybe some covers.

**BY LAWS-** No report.

**HISTORIAN/ WEB SERGEANT:** No report.

**MARINE FOR LIFE:** No report

**COLOR GUARD:** Woody Bowman shared that the color guard will be attending the Pasadena parade at Tick Neck Park on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2:00 pm. The will be presenting colors at American Legion Post 9:00 am on Veterans Day. They will then proceed to the Crownsville Veterans cemetery for colors then on to the American Legion Post 7 for a luncheon at 11:00 am. Nothing else planned until spring.

**YOUNG MARINES:** The young marine's ball was cancelled due to lack of ticket sales, we as a unit did a birthday celebration any way. We had an axe throwing contest that day also. We will be having an encampment at Sheltanham this coming up .The group will be assisting with the food pantry. On November 11thwe will be at Brightview nursing home in Annapolis and then to the Bowie Elks for a dinner and helping with the turkey giveaway. The youngsters are busy as usual.

**OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The wall that was assigned to the league has now been finished painting and the red stripe placed down center. There have been shelves put up. Joe Peacy is asking for everyone to help in picking out photos to hang up. The wall looks really nice. Almost finished that project it is coming along really well.



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**GUEST/VISITOR-** No report

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jim Galvin shared that the Boy Scout troop may have a new home finally. In the past 72 hours he had 3 proposed homes, Thanks to Debbie Deene for reaching out to Post 40, and Nila Caulder for reaching out to Post 276. I then received a call from another non-profit called Providence center. This center is geared to work with adults with special needs and handicaps. I will be meeting them this Wednesday to finalize it all. We can say we finally may have a new home. I want to thank everyone for their help in this process.

**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:** We will still be continuing our fellowship dinners each month it is always a nice gathering.

James Sanchez shared that on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the VFW Post 160 will be serving a free lunch buffet to veterans and their families from 12-2.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Our next social dinner will be on November 15, 2024, at the Mexican restaurant on Aviation Blvd at 6:30 pm, Los Portales. We will discuss if we will meet in December due to our yearly Christmas gathering

**CLOSING CEREMONIES:** Sgt. at Arms Jim Galvin closed the meeting IAW MCL rituals. The next meeting to be held on November 18, , 2024.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Deene, Adjutant  
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